End Of An Era

'Courtland' Is Being Dismantled

"Courtland", the stately home in Appomattox of the late State Senator Samuel Lewis Ferguson and Mrs. Ferguson is being torn down,but because of the interest and enterprise of two young men hired to dismantle the house, much of the fine interior and exterior material is being saved and offered to buyers.

The 32 room house was built in 1911 by Senator Ferguson for an estimated $60,000. An elevator connected the large front hall and the second floor. There was a roof garden topping the third floor, and wide verandas on the first and second floors offering visitors a view of Appomattox in every direction. R. G. Haga of Washington,D.C., was the builder.

Now the six big columns of the custom-built home are up for sale. Each column is 20 feet high and 76 and one-half inches in circumference. Smaller columns, 38 of them, are eight feet long and 38 inches in circumference. Walnut paneling, fireplaces, tongue and groove siding, copper and brass pipe from the three bathrooms are all described in a notebook for prospects who are dealing directly with the great-grandson of the Senator, Gilbert Hayes ("Chip") Wilson, Jr. of Virginia Beach and his partner, Reeves Edward Johnson, Jr. ("Eddie"). Both men are in their early twenties. They exhibit careful attention to detail and management of the project.

The young workers came from the beach in early January. They work until sundown each day, storing usable, saleable parts of the house in two storage buildings at the rear of the property. Piles of stone and brick are stacked in the side yards, and trash is burned in a big circular area in the front yard.

Since high school days they've worked together in a variety of jobs. Mostly, they've been construction workers. For a while they were bell boys. This past summer they ran a night club. Between jobs they've traveled to the Virgin Island, the Bahamas, Texas, New Orleans. A donkey hit their car near Alcapulco, Mexico, but a taped windshield and warm weather saw them home from that mishap.

In years past "Chip" has spent many a night at Courtland. He remembers his great - grandmother "Money" or "Miss Deeley" (Adelia) very well and the tremendous dinners served around an oval dining table seating at least twenty people. Senator Ferguson entertained well and often, with governors and legislators coming from Richmond for social events combined with secret conferences in the book - lined library to map out political strategy.

Most of the furniture at "Courtland" was sold at auction about a year ago. It was completely furnished at the time it was built by Winfree - Strother Furniture Company of Lynchburg.

"Chip" and "Eddie" have found a $500 Confederate bill in the house and a 1904 nickel. They haven't checked on the market value of either. Under arrangements made with the Ferguson estate managers they are being paid to dismantle the house and they'll get all the proceeds of the sale of materials found in it.

In one of the pillars supporting a carport at the left of the house they found honey and bees. They strained the honey and gave away five gallons of it, quite a "sticky project" they said since they knew nothing about straining honey until they started this project.

Who wants an old radiator(or 40 of them)? Or a bathroom lavatory 45 inches wide? Or leaded, beveled glass? Plenty of people, to judge from the young salesmen. Taking advantage of a current rage for wooden candlesticks, the men have set up a wooden lathe in a storage building and are converting the carved wooden posts which support the porch railings into attractive gift items. "Garden club members are our best customers," said "Chip". " They want them 'as is' so they can refinish their own." The young craftsmen are not likely to run out of basic materials. They estimate that with full porches of each of two floors of the house, and 25 posts to each section of the porch, there are at least 3,000 candlesticks to be cleaned, sanded and mounted.

They like Appomattox so well that they are seriously considering using their profits from the "Courtland" project to set up an antique shop.

Each section of the porch at 'Courtland' contain 25 carved railing supports and "Chip" Wilson (left) and Eddie Johnson, of Virginia Beach, are using a hand lathe to clean and sand them for resale as candlesticks. "Chip", great-grandson of the late Senator and Mrs. Ferguson and his partner are saving or selling every usable bit of the old Appomattox landmark. They plan to make bookends from wooden supports under the roof and for dozens of home builders and collectors parts of the old homestead will live again in new ways.

Horizon Has New President

A. Martin Macy, President of Horizon Aviation, Inc., has announced the appointment of Charles M. Roller as General Manager of Horizon, effective February 15, 1970. Macy will continue as President and chief executive officer of the company, but will turn the day-to-day management over the Roller.

Roller, 46, is a native of Rockingham County. He is a graduate of Broadway High School and attended Bridgewater College. He is a Commercial pilot with over 6000 hours total flying time.

He has been a sales representative in the aviation supply business since 1957. For the past five years, he has been associated with VanDusen Aircraft Supplies, Inc., a worldwide parts and accessory company. Prior to joining Van-Dusen, he was with Holladay Aero, Inc., in Richmond.

He has been an active member of the Virginia Aviation Trades Association for ten years, and has served as a member of the Steering Committee for the Southeastern Aviation Trades Association for the past four years. He is a member of the United Methodist Church, where he is active in youth and choir work. Roller is also an avid promoter of modern western style square dancing, and has been a caller for the past six years. He is currently serving as President of the Central Virginia Callers Association.

Roller and his wife, the former Kathryn Eller of Salem, Va. are the parents of a daughter, 22, and two sons, 14 and 17. Another son was lost in a construction accident in 1968.

Macy has accepted the position of Executive Director of the National Air Transportation Conference, the industry association of Commuter Airlines, Air Taxi and Charter operators. NATC has its headquarters in Washington, D.C., and Macy said he expects to be spending most of his time there after March first.

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American Cancer Society

Family Night At Sherwill

The Sherwill 4-H Club held its annual Family Night Observance on Monday night at the community center. There was a bountiful covered dish supper after which the business meeting and program were held.

One of the highlights of the evening was the entry member project exhibition which was judged by the Danish system. There were many members participating a wide variety of workmanship among projects choosen. Jane Garrette conducted the meeting. Sam Jones gave devotions and was host for the meeting, assisted by his mother, Mrs. Hunter Jones, Jr.

Carolyn Giles gave the pledges to the American and 4-H flags.

Notes of appreciation from Mrs. Anna Elcan, extension agent, Paxine Fleming and Layton Evans were brought to the attention of the club members. They were given corsages on their departure for National 4-H Club Congress, in Chicago.

There was a varied program for the evening, consisting of color slides and talks.

Reader gave a brief talk on highlights of their projects for the year. Those speaking were James Hancock, III, Gail Carson, Cathy Jones, Mary Carter Feoyans, Darell McGuire, Carolyn Giles, Thomas Evans, Jane Garrette and Ann Evans.

Layton Evans showed slides of her trip to National 4-H Club Congress.

Mr. Carey Carson, extension agent, showed color slides of a tour he took of dairy farms and industries in several other states.

Mr. Carson recognized the following club members for their attendance at various camps, etc.:

Thomas Evans –Va Poultry Federation in Roanoke.

Carolyn Giles, Terry Coffey and Glenn Giles –Conservation Camp Farrar at Virginia Beach

Sam Jones, Terry Coffey, Darrell McGuire, Carolyn Giles, Jane Garrette, Thomas Evans, Layton Evans and Paxine Fleming –Shortcourse at V.P.I.

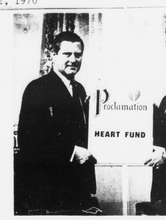
Layton Evans and Paxine Fleming –National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago.

Sam Jones, Thomas Evans and Jane Garrette –4-H Stars.

Carolyn Giles, Jane Garrette, and Thomas Evans – Junior Leaders at 4-H Camp at Smith Mountain.

Individual pictures were taken by Mr. Carson to be included in the yearly achievement book, which will be due in the county extension office by the first of March.

Glenn Giles, Reporter



February Is Heart Month

A proclamation recognizing February as Heart Month, and pointing out that diseases of the heart and blood vessels are responsible for more deaths than all other diseases combined,has been signed by Governor Linwood Holton. Mr. Darden Towe, State Heart Fund Chairman from Charlottesville, accepted the document from Holton at the Governor's office in Richmond.

The text of the proclamation follows:

"Whereas, diseases of the heart and blood vessels are responsible for more deaths than all other causes combined, causing widespread suffering and often creating serious economic hardship in our homes and businesses;

"And whereas, your Heart Association carries forward a relentless fight against these diseases through its program of research, education and community service, as made possible by public contributions to the Heart Fund;

"Therefore, I proclaim February to the Heart Month within the jurisdiction of my office, and call upon all our citizens to support this important drive with their gifts and voluntary services."

In commenting on the special importance of the 1970 Heart Fund campaign, Mr. Towe stated, "In view of the recent moves by the federal government to decrease, or to freeze support of health research at current levels, the challenge is clearly before the voluntary agencies. We simply must have your full effort during February. Vital programs are to go on and grow."

Heart Fund volunteers are an effort to call on every home during February but are contacted and wishing to tribute may do so by their contribution to research, care of their local post office and the Zip Code number.

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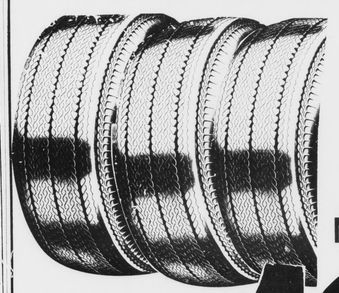
CONCORD

The Concord Elementary School P-TA will hear a talk on "Drugs and Drug Abuse" when it meets at 8 p. m. tonight, Thursday.

David Jones, special investigator for the State Police, of Appomattox will be the main speaker.

TIRE SPECIAL



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O-AG Has V.P.I. Student Teachers

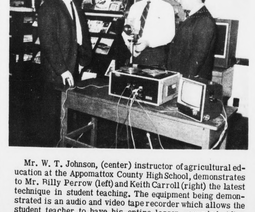
William Perrow and Keith Carroll, seniors at V.P.I., major in agricultural education, are doing their supervised student teaching in the Vocational Agriculture Department at Appomattox County High School.

The men began their practice teaching on January 5, and will continue in their teaching until March 13.

Student teaching is a requirement for all students majoring in education at V.P.I., and must be successfully completed before certified as a teacher. Keith Carroll is a graduate of Brookville High School, where he studied vocational agriculture under Mr. Virgil Cauley. He was an associate of science degree from Ferrum Junior College and will receive his bachelor of science from V.P.I. this coming June. Carroll operates a livestock and grain farm near Rustburg, Va., and plans to enter teaching as an instructor of agricultural education. At V.P.I. he is a member of the Civitan student club and is a member of Alpha Zeta, National Honorary Agriculture fraternity.

Billy Perrow is a native of Danville and a honor graduate from Tunstall High School. He was a very active member of the Tunstall FFA Chapter. While at V.P.I. Billy was business manager of the Colligate FFA Chapter Yearbook, and was elected to membership in Alpha Zeta National Honorary Agriculture Fraternity and Phi Kappa Phi, National Scholastic fraternity. He will complete his requirements for graduation at the completion of his supervised student teaching and will receive his bachelor of science degree from V.P.I. in June. Young Perrow plans to enter the teaching profession as an instructor of agricultural education.

The department of agricultural education at Appomattox County High School has had student teachers from V.P.I. for the past four years, and is one of the fifteen centers located throughout Virginia for the purpose of training the prospective teachers of agriculture education.



Mr. W. T. Johnson, (center) instructor of agricultural education at the Appomattox County High School, demonstrates to Mr. Billy Perrow (left) and Keith Carroll (right) the latest technique in student teaching. The equipment being demonstrated is an audio and video tape recorder which allows the student teacher to have his entire lesson recorded. After teaching the lesson he may then review the class procedures as a means of improving his teaching. This technique known as "micro-teaching" is being used for the first time in Virginia at the Appomattox County High School with student teachers from V.P.I.

FOREST FIRES

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most people cause, according to Leonard Stoddard, Fire Control Officer for the Appomattox Virginia Farmville District. While fewer number of fires means more people are careful, we need to be more careful in the use of fire. Stoddard noted that we could eliminate the fires caused by children playing with matches and the brush burning. He said, we could reduce the number of fires by 75% more.

A total number of fires occurring in the 10-County Farmville District was 224, with 725 acres burned. Amelia County had 42 fires and lost 20 acres; Appomattox County, 14 fires and 16 acres burned; Buckingham County had 25 fires and 110 acres burned; Charlotte County 17 fires and lost 74 acres; Cumberland County, 20 fires, lost 10 acres; Halifax County, 33 fires and lost 64 acres; Lunenburg had 22 fires and lost 122 acres; Mecklenburg County had 28 fires and lost 231 acres; Nottoway Co. had 25 fires and 26 acres burned; Prince Edward County had 31 fires and lost 52 acres.

TESTING OFFERED

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generalizations, ideas, and intellectual skills that result from four year high school curricula.

By achieving satisfactory scores on GED tests adults may earn a high school equivalency certificate; qualify for admission to college or advanced educational opportunities; meet educational requirements for employment or promotion; satisfy educational qualifications for induction into the United States Armed Forces; and meet regulations of State and local Boards of licensing examiners for admission to licensing examinations for occupations requiring a high school diploma.

As a result of the GED tests,

Applicants also must either be permanent residents of Virginia or have resided in the State six month prior to applying for testing.

Certificates are issued for minimum standard scores of 35 on each of the five tests and an average standard score of 45 on all tests. An applicant who fails to achieve a passing score on one or more of the tests may be retested if he can present evidence of additional study in the areas to be tested.

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Galilee Baptist Usher Board Plans Anniversary Celebration

The Galilee Baptist Usher Board is busy making plans for its anniversary celebration on the first Sunday in March at 3 p.m. The Mount Airy Junior Choir has been invited to render special music and the Rev. Boyd Christian will be the guest speaker. Invitations have been sent to local usher boards to take a part on the program.

A large crowd attended the regular preaching services at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church last Sunday morning at 11 a.m. Special music was rendered by the Senior Choir. Several out-of-town visitors attended the service.

Impressive services were held at the "---" Land Baptist Church last Sunday evening at 7:30. The deacon board of the church was in charge of the service. The pastor of the church delivered the special message. Music was rendered by members of the Senior Choir. All who were present enjoyed the service. The next evening service will be sponsored by the members of the Missionary Club.

All officers, members and friends are cordially invited to attend the regular preaching services at the Galilee Baptist Church this Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

Mr. Eugene Pannell, of Red House, and Miss Mary N. Smith of Halifax, Va., were married last Saturday evening at 2 p.m. in the home of Rev. and Mrs. R. Q. Laving. Rev. Laving performed the ceremony. Relatives and friends of both families were present.

Mr. Charles Wiley Fleshman is a patient in the Lynchburg General Hospital.

Mrs. Bessie Watson received emergency treatment in the Lynchburg General Hospital last Saturday evening.

Mr. Frank McKinney is improving in the Lynchburg Memorial Hospital.

Things Aren't What They Used To Be

The young man has gone to the city
Where the gaiety and the fair lights blend.
I'm going down to Broadway,
And make my fortune in that old gambling den.
I'm going to get me a wife so clean and neat,
And have the nicest apartment of anyone along the street.
As I'm looking out of my apartment window
How my heart pains,
As I have lost all of my money in this old gambling den
I ever in my life have gained.

And my wife that so clean and neat,
Is down until midnight or later on Broadway Street
Among the city snares.
I'm going to get a divorce
And just let her stay down there
I'm going back to my country home.
I know that it won't be the same
Mother and Dad have passed away
And have been laid to rest over the hill crest there.
I will miss having morning and evening worship with them
Around Dad's old rocking chair.
There are no flowers around the door like mother had before.
Some of the windows have lost their shutters and they need a window pane or two
And a few shingles to back the roof
Where the stars come shining through.
As I sit out in the front yard
On this old oak log that used to be Dad's favorite shade tree.
O my heart is nearly breaking.
For things are not what they used to be.
I'm going to repair the old farm home in this shaded vale.
I'll get me some milk cows
And make me an honest living
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Forest Products To Be $2-Billion Annual Business By 2000

Richmond, Va., January 20--Finished forest products produced in Virginia, now valued at about $960 - million annually, will be a $2- billion - a year-business within the next three decades.

That was the forecast issued here today by a prominent industry spokesman, John E. Ray, 3rd, executive vice-president of Union Camp Corporation, in an address before the annual meeting of Virginia Forests, Inc. at the Jefferson Hotel.

Mr. Ray said that his estimate was a "conservative figure" based on projected regional trends. He said the market would hit $2-billion by the year 2000--"the year we will harvest the trees now being planted. It's that close--just one rotation cycle away."

Mr. Ray said that the demand for Virginia's forest products is expected to more than double in the next 30 years, and he called upon foresters, the industry and government "to assure that these demands will be properly met."

Some of the increase can be handled through "activities already set in motion," he said. These include accelerating the average yield per acre through modern tree farming practices and doubling the usage of wood manufactured by - products. But the Union Camp executive proposed two additional steps as "keys to the solution:"

1. A concerted, cooperative effort by the industry and state and federal forestry agencies to increase research efforts on hardwoods. Of Virginia's 15.8 million acres of commercial forests, 10.3-million acres are in hardwood. For the nation as a whole, hardwoods currently make up little more than 25 per cent of the pulp wood harvest. That proportion is expected to increase to 40 per cent by 2000. "We must through research learn how to regenerate hardwood tress as fast, or hopefully, faster than we harvest them," he said.

2. Implement recommendations now being made to encourage private landowners to more intensively manage their pinelands.

Mr. Ray pointed out that the need to take immediate steps aimed at meeting increased demands for forest projects is made more pressing by the steady decline in the per capita supply base. Nationally for every man, woman and child in the United states, there are about 2.5 acres available for the production of wood and wood-based products, he reported. Based on population trends alone, this will drop to less than 1.5 acres per person by 2000, he said, adding: "And that doesn't take into account the forest lands that will give way to more highways, new airports, urban growth and the like."

SBA Will Help Returning Vets

Men leaving the military service who want to open their own business can get help from the Small Business Administration. The SBA has announced that veterans affairs officers have been designated in all of the agency's seventy-three field offices.

The field offices have been instructed by SBA to make aid to the veteran available. This particularly applies to the returning Vietnam veteran wishing to start his own business. The help from SBA may be either financial or management counseling, or an actual cash loan.

The agency lends money and provides technical know-how to people who want to get into business for themselves.

Veterans wanting information may contact any SBA office by mail, by telephone, or in person. The SBA has said that veterans will find the staffs most willing to discuss the various programs available.

The address for the SBA office in Virginia is:

Small Business Administration
400 N. Eighth Street
Richmond, Virginia 23223

Veterans who wish to call by telephone may do so by dialing Richmond 649-3611 and asking for Extension 2766 or Extension 2768.

Men Invited To 'Sing'

A special "Open House Sing" for prospective barbershop quartet and chorus singers will be held by the Lynchburg Chapter of the society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America, on Tuesday evening, February 17. The event will begin at 7:30 p. m. at the Euclid Christian Church (across from E. C. Glass High School).

The Lynchburg Chapter (chorus of the Blue Ridge) has about 40 members from the Lynchburg Area. Its president, Max Guthrie, invites "any guys who loves to sing just for fun" to attend on Tuesday the 17th.

According to Larry McWane Blue Ridge Public Relations Officer, well over 34,000 men make up the society on the National level. "There are 600 Chapters" he added, "and more than 1,000 registered quartets in the U. S. and Canada."

According to the Chorus Director, L. B. Atkins, "Reading music is not a requirement and no prior knowledge of Barbershop Harmony is needed."

The Chorus competes annually in sectional and district competition, has frequent social gatherings, participates in charity functions and sings out frequently for local gatherings here and in Lynchburg.

A non-profit organization, the Society provides a portion of the income needed by the Institute of Logopedics in Wichita, Kan. an organization which helps rehabilitate children born with speech defects.

Guthrie made clear the fact that men from this area have a very special invitation to this open house and hopes every one will attend.

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